

Amendment

A list of claims follows:

1. (currently amended) A boat comprising:
 - a. a deck including a receptacle; and
 - b. an accessory firmly connected ~~thereto~~ to the deck but removable therefrom, the accessory (i) being fitted into the receptacle in use and (ii) including a quick-release fastener received by the receptacle in use.
2. (original) A boat according to claim 1 further comprising at least one buoyancy tube.
3. (original) A boat according to claim 2 further comprising a transom to which an outboard motor may be mounted and in which the accessory is a console.
4. (original) A boat according to claim 3 further comprising means for connecting the console to any outboard motor mounted to the transom.
- 5.-6. cancelled
7. (currently amended) A boat according to claim 6~~1~~ in which the receptacle is included in a plate incorporated into the deck.

8. (original) A boat according to claim 7 in which the deck is removable and comprises multiple foldable sections.
9. (original) A boat according to claim 1 in which the accessory comprises a seat structure.
10. (original) A boat according to claim 9 in which the seat structure comprises:
- a. a seat; and
 - b. a container.
11. (original) A boat according to claim 10 in which the container is a fuel tank.
12. (currently amended) A method of making an inflatable boat having a length more compact for storage or transport, comprising:
- a. deflating an inflatable element;
 - b. disconnecting at least one accessory from a deck spanning substantially the length of the boat; and
 - c. removing the deck.
- 13.-20. cancelled

21. (original) A boat according to claim 1 further comprising at least one D-ring, connected directly or indirectly to the deck, for connecting the accessory thereto.

22. (original) A boat according to claim 21 in which the D-ring is moveable and projects only slightly above the deck when not in use.

23. (original) A boat according to claim 21 further comprising:

- a. a plate to which the D-ring is attached;
- b. a bottom plate positioned underneath the deck; and
- c. a fastener connecting the plate and the bottom plate.